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Ex parte DIETMAR PRZYTULLA and WILHELM PETER MEULEMAN

Application No. 09/525,526

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on March 11, 2004. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the tech center. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

1. Appellants filed an amendment after final on December 17, 2002 (Paper No.16, amendment C). The Examiner states in his Advisory Action mailed on January 16, 2002 (Paper No. 17) that the amendment would be entered for purposes of an Appeal. Our review of the application reveals that the amendment has not been physically entered.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that this application is being returned to the Examiner/Tech Center 3700 for

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- (1) entry of **amendment C** filed December 17, 2002 (Paper No.16) as per the Examiner's approval in the Advisory Action mailed January 16, 2003, (Paper No. 17),
- (3) notification to appellants in writing of the action taken in regards to this return, and
- (4) for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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